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GERMAN FORCES ARE REPULSED; MEET DISASTER ON LAND AND SEA

MRS. WILSON LIES AT DOOR OF DEATH IN WHITE HOUSE Congress Appropriates \$2,500,000

Physicians Virtually Abandon Hope for Recovery of First Lady of Land.

PRESIDENT IS WATCHING AT BEDSIDE OF HIS WIFE

Members of Family Are Summoned to Await the Final Moment.

END IS MATTER OF HOURS

Illness Dates From March, When She Suffered Fall, Injuring Spine.

No Change in Condition

WASHINGTON, August 6.—At 8 A. M. no change had been reported in Mrs. Wilson's condition. A short time before that hour she was said to be resting quietly.

WASHINGTON, August 5.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the Presi-lent of the United States, to-night lies

dent of the United States, to-night lies at the point of death.

Four months of almost unbroken illness, a complication of nervous allments and Brights disease, have sapped the vitality of the first lady of the land. The end is regarded as a matter of days, perhaps hours. Her husband and three daughters are at her bedside, and relatives have been summound. Physicians have been in conland. The end is regarded as a matter of days, perhaps hours. Her husband and three daughters are at her bedside, and relatives have been summoned. Physicians have been in consultation for days, but it was admitted at the White House to-night that hope for her recovery had almost vanished. Conscious only at intervals, Mrs. Wilson has been cheerful, and has called constantly for her husband. Every moment that could be spared from urgent official duties have been devoted by the President to his wife. At the side of his constant helpmate and adviser, he wrote the tender of rood offices appealing to the European monarchs to stay their conflict.

GIVING DIRECTIONS

From the sick room he has been giving directions to the various department heads for the relief of thousands of Americans stranded abroad. The press of domestic legislation, the European war, Mexican situation and flurry ever financial conditions throughout the country, have weighed heavily on the President, as he has maintained leady and night virgil.

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For several days it has been known to those in closest touch at the White House in closest touch at the White House that Mrs. Wilson was gravely ill, and that hope for her recovery was slight. The President himself has clung desperately to the hope that she might survive the crisis, but her frail constitution, drained by months of nerve illeness, has been unable to withstand the battle.

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RELIEF MEASURES ARE IN OPERATION

for Assistance of Americans Stranded Abroad.

CRUISER SETS SAIL TO-NIGHT

Thousands Now Detained in Foreign Countries Soon Will Be Homeward Bound.

WASHINGTON, August 8 .- Relief measures for the 100,000 Americans in Europe to-day were put into practical President Wilson signed a bill passed

President Wilson signed a bill passed by Congress appropriating \$2,500,000 for the assistance of Americans abroad. The gold will be taken from the subtreasury in New York to the armored cruiser Tennessee, which sails to-mornow night for the principal, ports of Europe to distribute it. Negotiations were begun for the chartering of several big Italian steamships, which, together with thirty-nine American vessels ordinarily used in the coastwise trade, will provide facilities for as many thousands as care to come home. Representations were made by the United States to the German government to secure the release of thousands of Americans detained in Germany during the period of mobilization. Assurances have come that mobilization will last only two days longer, and Americans then will be free to leave.

Ambassador Herrick cabled that the French government, on its own initiative, had agreed to deposit several millions in gold with Morgan, Harjes & Co., to pay letters of credit and travel.

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WANTS OF AMERICAN

HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED LONDON. August 5.—The wants of most of the Americans in London now have been provided for temporarily. Those holding notes and checks have

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Another run on the privision stores in London and in the provinces occurred to-day, in spite of the government's assurances that there was sufficient food to supply the population for months without counting that en route. Prices again immed and some of the smaller will be made on Friday.

HOPES NEWSPAPER MEN again jumped, and some of the smaller shops were forced to close. In the East End several stores where prices had been raised were rushed by

POPULAR MOUNTAIN, EXCURSION.

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Southern Railway, August II, to Asheville and Western North Carolina; 15-day limit, 89 found trip. Inquire 907 E. Main Street. Madison 272.

WIFE OF PRESIDENT AT POINT OF DEATH



MRS. WOODROW WILSON.

ACCUSED WOMAN TELLS HER STORY OF MURDER

Relates to Jury Circumstances Sur- Recommends Ordinance Appropriat- President of United States Takes flames.

Which She Is on Trial.

Apparently at Ease on Stand, and Agreement Secures for City Enlarged War So Stupendous That Wilson Scens to Make Favorable Impres-

Confidence among the members of the invaded the quiet precincts of Louisa to the Council for passage an ordinance is embodied in two's heat of Washing-drafted by Secreterly oppressive, but were reported favour, her husband. The Committee on Foreitveek, and since then Action was taken king rapidly. Only the hope of exertification home by seeing the express companies and the officers of the Americans besieging the express companies and the officers of the American banks, and tourists are spending their time while writing for transportation home by seeing the sights of the city, so far as conditions allow.

With the murder of her husband, went upon the witness stand this afternoon, and in an easy monotone narrated her off-trepeated story of the murder. She was calm and collected, with no tremor in her voice or quiver on her lips. A dead silence fell upon the crowded courtroom as she began to speak, and court and spectators list-end in an endeavor to catch her every word. The accused woman, though she commission to invertent forms seemed but putes within a former self.

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WILL "TELL TRUTH NOW"

As she left the stand, Mrs. Hall approached the newspaper men, escaping the watchful eye of Attorney R. Lind-(Continued On Fourth Page.)

WEST POINT CARNIVAL DAY, AUG. 8TH. Grand Tournament and numerous attractions, Beach Park. A big day at West Point, the round trip from Richmond. Leaves 7:35

FINANCE COMMITTEE **ASSURES ANNEXATION**

ing \$100,000 to Improve County Roads Leading Into City.

MRS. HALL IS GOOD WITNESS HENRICO TO DROP OPPOSITION NO HINT AS TO ACCEPTANCE

appropriating \$100,000 for the permanent improvement of Henrico County roads leading into the city. The ordinance contains a provision which makes the abandonment of the fight against the annexation decree by Henrico County a condition of the appropria the annexation decree by Henrico County a condition of the appropria-

The prompt ratification of the orditically assures its passage by the Coun-It will be reported to the Board

dinance authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Board of Supervisors of Henrico County providing for a final compromise and settle-TO APPROPRIATION

Business Manager W. T. Dabney, of the Chamber of Commerce; Thomas P. Bryan, of the Business Men's Club, and City Attorney II. R. Pollard joined last night in approving the compromise suggested in the ordinance. The City Attorney drew attention to the fact that as counsel for the city in the an-nexation proceedings before Judge A. (Continued on Second Page.)

WILSON MAKES PROFFER OF HIS GOOD OFFICES

WASHINGTON, August 5 .- President Wilson to-day formally offered the services of the United States government to the warring nations of Eu-rope, should they desire to discuss terms of peace. He tendered what,

Under The Hague convention, to which all European nations except Servia are signatories, a neutral nation is urged in time of international conflict to tender her good offices to contending powers. Acting under the terms of The Hague convention, the ment Tuesday night, and, unless sentiment is much misinterpreted, will be passed by a unanimous vote. President Peters, it is stated, will be asked to call a special meeting of the Common Council to concur in the Board's lows:

With the appropriation an accomplished fact before the end of the month, the way will be clear for an immediate adju, cent of the differences which threatened to delay amexation which threatened to delay amexation to say to you in a spirit of most carnest friendship that I should welcome an opportunity to act in the interest of European peace, either now or at any other time that might be thought more suitable, as an occasion to serve you and all concerned in a way that would afford me lasting cause for gratitude afford me was and happiness, "(Signed) WOODROW WILSON."

COPY OF CARLEGRAM Late to-day Secretary Bryan summoned all European diplomats in city and gave them a copy of (Continued on Third Page.)

"WHIP" tobacco will give you additional by with your pipe. Ask your dealer about the 5-cent tins.

THOUSANDS DEAD IN GERMAN DEFEAT

Kaiser's Troops Slaughtered by Belgians in Heroic Defense of Liege.

ARE COMPLETELY REPULSED

Series of Disasters Price Already Paid for Invasion of Little

Kingdom. [Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] BRUSSELS. August 6. - Germany's advance through Belgium has suffered

Several thousand dead and wounded is the toll paid by the German army of the Meuse for its attack on Liege. Every German attack was met by a heroic counterattack on the part of the Belgians. No Germans who passed the forts survived. Two regiments of German davalry, which succeeded in crossing the Meuse, were almost completely annihilated by the deadly fire from Fort Liers.

The fighting continues, and is heavy

One Belgian squadron of the Second Regiment attacked and drove back six

German squadrons.
Eight hundred wounded Germans Eight hundred wounded Germans have been earried into the city of Liege, where they are being cared for. The War Office reports a notable instance of personal valor. One private soldier hurled himself against the advancing line and killed four Germans, and afterwards escaped back into the Belgian ranks unharmed.

A German aeroplane, flying above Liege, was attacked by a Belgian aviator, who dashed his machine straight into the German air craft, cutting the aeroplane in two.

LOSSES OF BELGIANS

LONDON, August 6.—Germany has sent an ultimatum to Italy.

Germany is pushing her advances through Belgium, and has met with strong opposition around Liege, where Belgian forces, according to official advices reaching Brussels, have repulsed the German army of the Meuse under General Von Emmich.

The Germans are reported to have lose several thousand killed and wounded.

Field Marshal Kitchener has been

LOSSES OF BELGIANS

COMPARATIVELY LIGHT

It is reported that the Belgian losses have been comparatively light.

The fortified position of Liege was called upon to support all day to-day the general shock of the German attack. Reconnoitering parties located three German army corps—the Tenth, at Eysden; the Seventh, at Verviers, 40,000 strong, and the Sixth in a locality not named.

An army of 100,000 Germans is now to the European nations at war.

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A German officer, who was captured by the Belgians during to-day fighting, said he was amazed at the resistance offered to the German advance. The Germans, he said, had been given to understand that they would not be opposed in Belgium.

Prior to the attack on Liege, General von Emmich, commanding the Army of the Meuse, issued a proclamation, calling for an open road through Belgium for the advance of the German forces. He suggested that prudence would show it to be the duty of the Belgian people to accede to this in order to avoid the horrors of war.

The answer of the Belgians was to open fire. Their fortifications offered admirable resistance to the German shells. Evegnee Fort, which was in action all day, was absolutely unharmed.

The work of the Belgian aviators

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iring the day is said to have sur-ussed all expectations. They showed SEVERAL CIVILIANS

SHOT BY GERMANS Several civilians there, who were

caught firing upon the Germans, were shot by the latter.

The town of Argenteau is also in bor by British cruisers and others im-

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The German troops crossed the Belgian frontier at three points—Dalhem, seven miles north of Liege, and at about twenty-five miles to the southeast of Liege. Desultory fighting occurred during the advance on Liege. It was not until the Liege for tifications were reached that the engagement became general. Then, it is reported, the Germans underestification of the Belgians attacked without bassy," was posted this afternoon, bassy," was posted this afternoon, mating the strength and fighting qualities of the Belgians, attacked without waiting either for artillery or infanthe try supports. The Belgian forts poured a decimating fire into their ranks, and by the time the supporting German column ranched the front these senses man column ranched the front these declared war on the other ranks. man column reached the front, the at-tacking force had been practically cut the Austrian ambassador has received

It is reported to night that the Ger-ian cavalry finally succeeded in crossman cavalry finally succeeded in crossing the Meuse at Masstricht, but not until a sharp broadside from the battress. A committee composed of memuntil a sharp broadside from the bat-teries in the Belgian forts had shat-tered the German pontoon bridges, forcing the Germany cavalry to ford the stream amid a stream of shot from Burns, Augustin Birrell and Walter the Liege fortifications.

The Relgian Minister of War, in an official statement, says: "The Belgians are successfully com-

with those of the Germans.

According to reports, French troops have already entered Belgium, and are co-operating with the Belgian forces.

The newspaper, Le Peuple, says that furiously hombarding the Algerian furiously hombarding the Algerian

operation of the French troops, and has given orders to the Provincial Governors not to regard the movements of British squadrons awaited them to nors not to regard the movements of British squadrons awaited them to

TWO GERMAN REGIMENTS
ARE REPORTED DESTROYED
PARIS, August 5.—Two regiments of
German Uhlans have been destroyed

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WEEK-END RATES Vin Norfolk and Western Railway, fround trip Norfolk; \$3.55 Virginia h on sale Eridays and Saturdays for rains; good for return passage until fol-

FROM FRONTIER

Belgians Hurl Themselves on Invaders and Win Desperate Battle.

CRUISERS OF KAISER CAPTURED BY ENEMY

Goeben and Breslau Fall Prizes of War, and Panther Is Sunk.

INVASION RUSSIAN

Embassies Both at St. Petersburg and Berlin Are Stormed by Mobs.

Ultimatum to Italy

LONDON, August 6 .- Germany has

Field Marshal Kitchener has

hour a fresh "extra" was shouted through the streets with some start-

ling rumor. The sum total of the rumors was that cannonading had been heard off all the skill and daring of either the French or Germans.

Vise, where severe fighting occurred during the day, is in flames. one awaits a bulletin of a great bat-tle. But, concerning the navy's where-abouts, plans or strategy, the news-papers do not even speculate.

no instructions to leave Londor

A German charge, which was quickly repulsed, added to the rout of the day.

Every important newspaper in Englished has announced its whole-hearted support of the government. Even the

GERMANS LOSE THREE "The Belgians are successfully com-batting the German invasion. The Belgian losses are trifling compared with those of the Germans."

According to reports, French troops

Goeben and Breslau and the sinking of

n early landing of British troops in furiously bombarding the Algerian towns of Bona and Phillippeville, the The government has invited the co-peration of the French troops and has

Part of the French neet had left Part of the French neet had left. Toulon in pursuit of the Austrian fleet, which had sighted the British ships and, fearful of their superior strength, had prudently returned to port.

Sighting the greater quarry, the detachment of the French fleet abandoned the pursuit of the Austrians and detachment in the free Germans.

overtook the three Germans.

A sharp engagement ensued, in which the Panther was sent to the bottom

with a shell which exploded near her